

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. An information backup system, comprising:
 - 2 A. a first computing system including
 - 3 (i) a first local disk that includes a first disk driver;
 - 4 (ii) first local RAM;
 - 5 (iii) a first network interface that is connected to a
 - 6 computer network and includes a first network driver;
 - 7 (iv) first means responsive to communications from said
 - 8 first network driver and said first disk driver, for writing data to and reading data from said
 - 9 first local RAM;
 - 10 B. a second computing system including
 - 11 (i) a second local disk that includes a second disk
 - 12 driver;
 - 13 (ii) second local RAM;
 - 14 (iii) a second network interface that is connected to the
 - 15 computer network and includes a second network driver; and
 - 16 (iv) second means responsive to communications from
 - 17 said second network driver and said second disk driver, for writing data to and reading
 - 18 data from said second local RAM.
- 1 2. The information backup system of claim 1, wherein said first means
- 2 for writing data communicates with said first disk driver to cache data in the first local
- 3 RAM.